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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (previously presented) A method for imparting defoaming property to a baking finish type top coat paint for motor vehicles comprising the step of:

adding a copolymer of 2-50% by weight of (A) a polymerizable monomer capable of forming a copolymer having isocyanate groups which can react with a binder resin in thermosetting paint or (B) a polymerizable monomer capable of forming a copolymer having such groups capable of producing isocyanate groups which can react with a binder resin in thermosetting paint during baking step of the same paint, and 98-50% by weight of (C) other monomer or polymer reactable with said polymerizable monomer (A) or (B) to the top coat paint.

2. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, in which the polymerizable monomer (A) is 2-isocyanatoethyl methacrylate or 3-isopropenyl- α,α -dimethylbenzylisocyanate.

3. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, in which the polymerizable monomer (B) is 2-(O-[1'-methylpropylideneamino]carboxyamino)ethyl methacrylate or 2-(O-[1'-methylpropylideneamino]carboxyamino)ethyl acrylate.

4. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, in which said other monomer or polymer (C) is alkyl acrylate, alkyl methacrylate, alkyl vinyl ether, or a polymer having reactive groups such as vinyl-containing polybutadiene.

5. (new) A baking finish type top coat paint for motor vehicles, said top coat paint comprising a defoamer, said

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defoamer comprising a copolymer of 2-50% by weight of (A) a polymerizable monomer capable of forming a copolymer having isocyanate groups which can react with a binder resin in thermosetting paint or (B) a polymerizable monomer capable of forming a copolymer having such groups capable of producing isocyanate groups which can react with a binder resin in thermosetting paint during baking step of the same paint, and 98-50% by weight of (C) other monomer or polymer reactable with said polymerizable monomer (A) or (B).

6. (new) The top coat paint of claim 5, in which the polymerizable monomer (A) is 2-isocyanatoethyl methacrylate or 3-isopropenyl- α,α -dimethylbenzylisocyanate.

7. (new) The top coat paint of claim 5, in which the polymerizable monomer (B) is 2-(O-[1'-methylpropylideneamino]carboxyamino)ethyl methacrylate or 2-(O-[1'-methylpropylideneamino]carboxyamino)ethyl acrylate.

8. (new) The top coat paint of claim 5, in which said other monomer or polymer (C) is alkyl acrylate, alkyl methacrylate, alkyl vinyl ether, or a polymer having reactive groups such as vinyl-containing polybutadiene.

9. (new) The top coat paint of claim 5, further comprising a glycidyl-containing acrylic resin/acid anhydride curing agent.

10. (new) The top coat paint of claim 5, which contains no melamine resin as curing agent.

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11. (new) The top coat paint of claim 5, wherein said top coat paint is clear.